

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION AS : DOCKET NO. 5071
ELIGIBLE RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCE FILED :
BY HOPKINTON INDUSTRIAL PARK, LLC – :
NEW GENERATION :

ORDER

On September 9, 2020, Hopkinton Industrial Park, LLC¹ (Company) filed with the Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission (PUC) an application seeking certification for its Hopkinton Industrial Park #2, a 2.50 MW AC (2.93 MW DC) solar energy Generation Unit located in Ashaway, Rhode Island as an eligible New Renewable Energy Resource in accordance with the PUC’s Rules and Regulations Governing the Implementation of a Renewable Energy Standard (Rules) and R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1.

The Company provided supplemental and clarifying information to PUC staff and their application review consultant on October 7, 2020 and October 8, 2020 in response to the application review consultant’s requests for said information from October 8, 2020 and October 13, 2020. The supplemental and clarifying information included: a) confirmation regarding entity ownership type, b) clarification regarding the nameplate capacity of the Generation Unit, c) verification of commercial operations date and NEPOOL-GIS identification number, d) verification of new or existing unit; and e) submission of updated Appendix B.

After examination, the PUC is of the opinion that the application is proper, reasonable, and in compliance with the Rules and hereby grants the Company certification

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as an eligible renewable energy resource pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-26-1.² The PUC's determination in this docket is based on the information submitted by the Company and the PUC may reverse its ruling or revoke the Company's certification if any material information provided by the Company proves to be false or misleading.

Accordingly, it is

(23931) ORDERED:

1) The Hopkinton Industrial Park #2 Generation Unit meets the requirements for eligibility as a New Solar Renewable Energy Resource with its 2.50 MW AC (2.93 MW DC), Grid-Connected Generation Unit having a Commercial Operation Date September 30, 2020 and located within the NEPOOL control area in Ashaway, Rhode Island.

2) The Generation Unit's NEPOOL-GIS Identification Number is MSS69390.

3) The Company's Generation Unit as identified above is hereby assigned unique certification number RI-5071-N20.

4) The facility's Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) shall become Rhode Island-eligible effective on the first day when the Rhode Island certification number is issued. All RECs associated with the production of eligible energy that are minted on or after the Effective Date are eligible for the Renewable Energy Standard.

5) Although the PUC will rely upon the NEPOOL GIS for verification of production of energy from the Company's Generation Unit certified as eligible in this Order, the Company will provide information and access as necessary to the PUC, or persons acting on its behalf, to conduct audits or site visits to assist in verification of

² Pursuant to Section 2.6 and other relevant Sections of the Rules, a thirty-day period for public comment was provided during which time no such comments were received.

continued eligibility for and compliance with Rhode Island Renewable Energy Standard Certification at any time, at the PUC's discretion.

6) The Company shall notify the PUC in the event of a change in the facility's eligibility status.

EFFECTIVE AT WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND ON OCTOBER 23, 2020
PURSUANT TO AN OPEN MEETING DECISION ON OCTOBER 23, 2020.
WRITTEN ORDER ISSUED OCTOBER 26, 2020.

PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION



Ronald T. Gerwatowski, Chairman



Marion S. Gold, Commissioner



Abigail Anthony, Commissioner

NOTICE OF RIGHT OF APPEAL: Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 39-5-1, any person aggrieved by a decision or order of the PUC may, within seven days from the date of the order, petition the Supreme Court for a Writ of Certiorari to review the legality and reasonableness of the decision or order.